

Carter calls settlements 'defiance'

By WOLF BLITZER
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WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter's previously submerged attitude towards Israel's establishment of new settlements came into open view on Friday when he agreed to a reporter that Israel was ap-
tly defying the U.S.
State Department at the same time that Israel had assured the world that it has not begun any new settlements in the territories.
Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon's statements to the contrary, following reports following a visit to Argentina, President Rafael Videla at the White House, the President was asked for new Israeli settlements make the peace process more difficult.
"This creates additional problems," Carter replied.
Then said that he will be going later this month with his wife to the Middle East. He said he will be one of the items on his agenda. Carter said that the "has taken a consistent stand any year that the establish-
ment of settlements in the occupied territories on the West Bank and Gaza is illegal and, in my view, this creates a problem, I intend to pursue it."
The reporter then asked Carter the

following question: "But despite our stand, in fact it seems to some in defiance of it; they [Israel] persist in doing so."
The official White House transcript of the President's response shows Carter as saying: "You've analyzed it very well." But other reporters present during the informal outdoor press conference heard the President say: "You have analyzed it very well."
In either case, it is clear that Carter is upset with Israel's attitude. Earlier press reports here, quoting Administration officials, have said that the President regarded Israel's settlement policy as a "slap in the face," although the President has not said so in public.
The fact that Carter has agreed that Israel was defying the U.S. — during a public press conference — should be seen as merely "the tip of the iceberg," when it comes to assessing his anger, one informed U.S. source said.
Israeli ambassador Simcha Dinitz yesterday rejected Carter's assertion that the establishment of new settlements on the West Bank is an obstacle to peace and illegal.
The settlements are "merely used as an excuse by the Arabs for not entering into negotiations with Israel," the ambassador told a news conference.

At Friday's State Department press briefing, spokesman Hodding Carter said that the U.S. has been assured by Israel "that no settlements have been established in the occupied territories beyond those announced."
In an interview televised on Friday night on the CBS Evening News programme, Sharon kept referring to the West Bank as "our country" and said that no one had a right to tell Israel what it could do "in our country." The reserve general's comments were regarded as provocative by officials here.
Drew Middleton, the military analyst for "The New York Times," yesterday said that U.S. and allied military experts are concerned over Arab reaction to Israeli settlements, warning that this might result in an acceleration of military preparations and increased Arab unity.
Elsewhere in the article, Middleton said that the Arabs are strengthening their Eastern Front against Israel. Basing himself on "Israeli sources," he said there have been extensive exchanges of officers between the Syrian and Jordanian armies, and that the Iraqis are setting up large arms depots near their border with Jordan. He also spoke of Saudi financing of this war effort.

Sharon: With security belts we can offer more

Jerusalem Post Staff
Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, chief of settlement in the government, said over the weekend that the belts of settlements he plans will give Israel security it needs to reach "daring" for peace with the Palestinians.
In conversations with foreign news, Sharon also again denied a report that he had said that he would not go to the Middle East in the past month of his tenure.
In an official statement yesterday, Sharon said it was ridiculous to ret his remarks as meaning established settlements in Israel had a full right to es-
tablish settlements throughout the West Bank, did so openly and continue to do so openly.
His statement went on, settle-
ment is a continuous process and the government does not intend to announce the establish-
ment of this or that settlement.

These were announced by the media, on their own initiative, and at different stages of their establish-
ment.
"This is what had happened with the 'Maariv' interview. There were names that were published before the 'Maariv' interview and names that had not been published," Sharon explained.
Explaining the security-belt concept to the Association Press, the Agriculture Minister said that "Israel's existence is no less important than peace," and that settlements in Judea-Samaria "are vital to our existence." They were therefore as important as a formal peace treaty.
"The creation of belts of settlements in Judea and Samaria," Sharon told AP, "will give us a sense of security for the first time, and this will allow us to come up with more daring solutions to the question of the Arab population than we can permit ourselves today."
Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan would be taking the security-belt

idea to Washington, Sharon said, as part of the Israeli peace package to be presented to President Carter and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.
"They [the settlements] don't close any peace options," he said. "On the contrary, they contribute to peace. Peace means Arabs and Jews living together, that's the only way to peace. And that's what the settlements are doing — bringing Jews and Arabs together."
"There can be more daring solutions if Israel can feel secure on vital, strategic terrain," Sharon told UPI. Although he refused to go into details, Sharon, in an interview in Friday's Jerusalem Post, noted that a Jewish-settlement belt in thinly-settled Western Samaria would prevent the band of Israeli Arab villages called the Little Triangle from fusing with the Arab center atop the Samaritan ridge, while another, much larger Jewish belt from the Golan down the Jordan Rift to the southern tip of Israel would keep Israel from being confined to the narrow Mediterranean coastal strip.

Abbas helped German terror comeback

By BRIAN ARTHUR
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WEST GERMANY's urban terrorism, after a series of years and two years of relative calm at home, has staged a comeback from abroad, according to a report by the German press.
The conclusion of a detailed study of terrorist activities in West Germany by the respected magazine "Allgemeine" said.
The study points out that the "revolutionaries" have in the past two years reorganized, above all, "proving" their power in the ranks of Palestinian fighting Israel.
Against this background, the

newspaper says, the sudden surge in political violence in the Federal Republic in the last five months, culminating in the kidnapping last Monday of Bonn industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer, must be seen.
It has been long known to Germany's leftist extremists that they can expect support from Palestinian organizations only after they have established their devotion to the Palestinian cause and to other third world underground movements.
The newspaper sees abundant evidence of this strategy, especially in the participation of German ultra-leftists such as Hans-Joachim Klein in the December 1975 attack on OPEC headquarters in Vienna, and of Wilfried Böck in the Arab terrorist seizure of Israeli air

passengers to Entebbe.
There have also been reports of German terrorists killed with Palestinian forces during the civil war in Lebanon, and frequent, though unconfirmed, indications of Middle East activities of a key German ultra-leftist, Siegfried Haag.
Haag was a lawyer for jailed leaders of the Baader-Meinhof gang, the hard core of the German terrorist movement until he suddenly "went underground" in 1975.
Haag was later arrested and is now awaiting trial for alleged terrorist activities. Among other things he is suspected of having been the "brain" behind the reorganization of the "Red Army Faction," the group behind the Schleyer kidnapping.



Members of the leftist Shelli party collecting money "for the release of other sick prisoners" in a demonstration at Prime Minister Menachem Begin's official Jerusalem residence yesterday to protest against the release of convicted embezzler Yehoshua Bension. Leftist activists also collected signatures against the reduction of sentence outside the city's Hamashbir department store. (Times)

Hillel: Begin himself sought Bension pardon

Jerusalem Post Staff
Former police minister Shlomo Hillel said over the weekend that Prime Minister Menachem Begin had, while still Opposition leader, asked many times for a pardon for convicted former Israeli-British Bank head Yehoshua Bension.
Hillel said that Begin should not have recommended the convicted embezzler for a pardon now that he is temporarily taking care of the Justice Ministry portfolio.
Hillel, speaking on Israel Radio, said Begin should have disqualified himself in the case, as a judge does in similar circumstances. He basted to add that he meant this as no reflection on Begin personally.
Meanwhile, Deputy Minister Yoram Aridor, who sees to the day-to-day operations of the Justice Ministry, said the medical report on Bension — sent in 1975 to 12

years for stealing \$47m. from the bank — had indicated he needed to have a medical orderly on 10- to 15-minute call in prison if his illness were not to deteriorate to the point of endangering his life. Aridor thought it could be said that the courts had not been aware of this when they sentenced Bension.
Aridor also said that President Katzir had asked the Justice Minister for advice on pardoning Bension, and had on a number of occasions expressed his satisfaction that he had the power to pardon the 53-year-old former banker.
On Thursday, members of the Black Panthers leaked what they claimed was a prison medical report made on Bension a month ago, which said there was no medical reason for releasing him from prison. The Health Ministry on Friday asked the Bension — sent in 1975 to 12

Egypt seen rejecting Sinai violation charge

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent
Generalissimo-Silassu, Coordinator of UN Forces in the Middle East, has returned to Israel from Egypt with an apparent Egyptian rejection of Israeli charges that this interim Sinai Pact is being violated.
Silassu left for Cairo on Thursday, carrying with him an official Israeli complaint that the Egyptians have 10,000 extra men in the limited force zone, organized in 16 battalions, instead of the eight battalions allowed by terms of the agreement.
This was the fifth Israeli com-

plaint in four months, and followed personal assurances to Prime Minister Begin from War Minister Mohammed Abdul-Ghani Gannay that the pact was being honored to the letter.
Silassu returned to Israel on Friday and apparently brought with him a flat denial from the Egyptians that there were additional men in the area. Israel, however, claims to have proof that its charges are accurate.
Last night a senior Israeli defence official declined to comment on the Egyptian reply. A statement is expected this week. (Leader, Page 10)

Begin rejects Swiss bid for extradition

By DAVID LANDAU
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Prime Minister Menachem Begin has decided not to allow the extradition to Switzerland of Reuven Pesahovitz, an Israeli accused by the Swiss authorities of embezzlement and fraud of over 10m. Swiss francs (about IL42m.). The Jerusalem Post has learned.
Begin made this decision in his capacity as acting Minister of Justice.
The decision could become controversial, both in Israel and abroad, because it involves Israel's international extradition obligations.
It is understood that Begin discounted the advice of Attorney General Aharon Barak and other legal aides in making his decision. Barak last night said only that the decision is within the sole discretion of the Justice Minister and that the attorney-general is not, therefore, formally involved.
Begin has pledged that the ministry "will consider" bringing Pesahovitz to trial in Israel once the extradition law is amended.
The Swiss Ambassador, Jacques Bernard Ruedi, told The Post last

night that he had been notified verbally on Thursday of Israel's refusal to extradite the suspect. He said he expected to receive an explanatory statement in a day or two.
"I can give you therefore only a first and unofficial reaction privately and I must tell you that we are a little disappointed. Pesahovitz has hired first-class lawyers and we fear that he will escape justice. It is difficult to believe that if the Knesset passes a law to try people like him here, that it would be retroactive. Retroactivity is very rare in such legislation," he said.
The ambassador added that nobody has promised him that Pesahovitz will be tried and all he has been told is "we shall examine if there is a possibility of trying him here."
Legal experts explained last night, however, that retroactivity will not be a problem. The proposed new law on extradition is in effect a jurisdictional measure and will naturally apply to pending cases such as Pesahovitz.
Under the general law, a man can be extradited only if the Justice Minister agrees. If he takes no action within 60 days and the courts do not

Burg to appoint a public committee to study crime

By ASHER WALLFISH
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Interior Minister Yosef Burg is expected to appoint a public committee to study crime in Israel, which will return its recommendations to him within six to eight weeks.
This emerged from a meeting on Friday between Premier Menachem Begin and Dr. Burg with the executive of the Likud Knesset faction. The Interior Minister is responsible for the police.
Begin said that because of the long and complicated procedure entailed by a state commission of inquiry and because all those ordered to appear would be allowed to bring their lawyers, he did not favour a state commission. Nor did he favour a parliamentary commission which would not return recommendations within a short time. He favoured a

public committee which could be appointed by the Government or by a Cabinet minister.
The Asher Committee on the conflict of material interests involving Cabinet ministers was a public committee of the kind referred to by Begin.
Burg said that a parliamentary commission was not a good idea because it would have less credibility with the public which would suspect it of political motivations. Burg praised Ehud Olmert, MK, for having brought the crime scene to public attention.
The executive told Begin and Burg that the majority in the Likud would have preferred a parliamentary commission.
The Cabinet today will continue its discussion of the Bochner report on crime in Israel.

First rains usher in autumn

Jerusalem Post Staff
First rains fell in various parts of the country yesterday as autumn made its debut with partly clouded skies, winds and high waves. Local showers can be expected today, this weatherman said last night.
In Tel Aviv and the Dan region there was a heavy downpour for some 15 minutes yesterday noon, though the weather was warm. The rain did not deter the many bathers at the beaches.
In Haifa a short but heavy shower fell on Mount Carmel, just before

five in the afternoon, following light rain in Western Galilee after midnight on Friday.
In the Safad area rains started at 10.30 in the morning with a heavy shower and continued intermittently for two hours.
The downpour took holidaymakers, trippers and the summer birds by surprise, and the exotic honeyeaters sought shelter under the eaves of roofs and even inside houses.
At the Mount Canaan meteorological station, 0.5 mms of rain were registered.

Ethiopia changes military leaders as war rolls on

NAIROBI (UPI). — Ethiopia announced a major shake-up of its armed forces leadership yesterday, the second reshuffle since Addis Ababa mobilized to repulse a Somali invasion in the south.
Addis Ababa radio announced the appointment of three new ministers and reported that several key military commands had changed hands in the shakeup.
The radio said Brig-Gen. Taye Tlhamu, formerly air force commander, was named to be the country's new defence minister, replacing Air Marshal Mamo, who was named to an ambassadorial post.
The new appointments also included a new armed forces chief of staff, and a new commander of the air force.
No reason was given for the changes, but it appeared evident that the nation's leadership was hoping for a better performance from the military as fighting intensifies on two fronts.
The Ethiopians have lost more than 90 per cent of their southern provinces to the Somalis in about three months and have lost all but three towns in the northern province of Eritrea, where guerrillas are fighting to set up their own country.
Somalia, meanwhile, appeared to move closer to declaring all-out war on Ethiopia yesterday when it reported Ethiopian air raids on its territory and for the first time publicly pledged full backing for the guerrillas fighting in Ethiopia.
Mogadishu radio, monitored here, said Ethiopian jets attacked the airbase at Hargeisa, Somalia's second city, and damaged a parked Antonov-26 transport aircraft belonging to the Soviet government.
Three of the attacking American-built F-5 jets were shot down by missile batteries which ring the airbase some 40 kilometres from the Ethiopian border, the report added. (UPI, Reuter).

Let's start the New Year with a treat: A Giftbox from Elite

The Chocolate, Mentha, Mastik Girls say: Life is sweet - with a Giftbox from elite

Sharon awaiting 'guarantee'

(UPI). — The U.S. has given verbal "assurances" that Israel will not be with a planned cease-fire, Israeli-backed Lebanese and Palestinian terrorists in Lebanon, Beirut has reported yesterday.
The source government source official U.S. guarantee "of a self acceptance of the cease-fire" has been received. They in President Sarkis would wait a guarantee before sending army regulars to the south cease-fire plan envisaging a metre demilitarized zone border with Israel.

More cholera in Jordan; one new case in Jenin

Post Reporter and Agencies
Jordan yesterday reported 38 new cholera cases in an outbreak which has hit other parts of the Middle East.
The Jordanian Health Ministry said there were 144 confirmed cases up to last night, but it added that they had all been cured.
The ministry statement said no deaths have occurred since the epidemic spread to Jordan from neighbouring Syria, and that 108 cases have been cured and discharged.
It said most cholera cases in the country were in Amman, and the village of Kreimeh in the Jordan Valley.
In Jerusalem, meanwhile, the Health Ministry has announced a se-

cond case of cholera in Samaria.
The patient, a 50-year-old woman from Jenin, had returned from a visit to Jordan six days ago. She was taken to Nablus Hospital yesterday where her condition was described as good.
The head of Judea/Samaria health services, Dr. Hussein Obeld, returned on Friday from Jordan where he went to determine the exact nature of the current outbreak. He received complete cooperation from the authorities in Amman, the Health Ministry said.
Officials say no special measures are being taken, but urge people to wash fruit and vegetables thoroughly.
Syria has been the worst hit country in the region, with 61 dead so far and nearly 2,000 people affected. Lebanon has announced six confirmed cases, but no deaths.

Looter shot over sweets
JOHANNESBURG (UPI). — The restless black township of Soweto was calm after police on Friday shot and killed a black man suspected of robbing a truck carrying sweets, a police spokesman said yesterday.
Maj-Gen. Dawid Kriel, chief of South Africa's riot control operations, said the unidentified man was shot dead by police shotgun fire when a riot unit broke up a large crowd of blacks who were plundering the lorry near the Holy Cross school in Soweto's suburb of Diepkloof.

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Rosh Hashana begins sundown tomorrow

By JUNE KOGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rosh Hashana 5738 begins at sundown tomorrow, ushering in two days of prayer, fasting, reflection, and quiet recreation. Additionally, the birthday of the old and the time of judgment for mankind, the New Year marks the onset of the Ten Days of Atonement that culminate in Yom Kippur.

Shofarot (ram's horns) are being added for synagogue services, and their 100 trills stir consciences and repent for sins of the past year. Apples and honey have also been prepared to symbolize the hope for a sweet New Year. Along with megranim to represent the expectation that one's good deeds will be plentiful like the seeds of the fruit, the country's 7,800 synagogues will be filled for services, with many worshippers paying from IL40 to 150 per seat. Most Sephardi synagogues charge no fee, since services are led by members who hunt for tickets in Ashkenazi congregations are expensive.

Generally, calculated according to the time of sunset, the holiday begins at the proximity of the gate to the Temple Mount.

Worshippers wearing tallit over their prayer shawls, a sight that came familiar since the High Holy Days after the Yom Kippur war, will be visible this New Year as well. Most rabbis have ruled that adding of weapons to prayer is against the holiness of the holiday. A Guard volunteer has been assigned to congregations around the country.

Jerusalem police commander Zvi Ben-Meir has ordered last week that his force have special preparations to ensure security of pilgrims to the Temple Mount and the thousands stay in the capital during the holiday. He called for increased vigilance and asked citizens to report all suspicious objects found in the street.

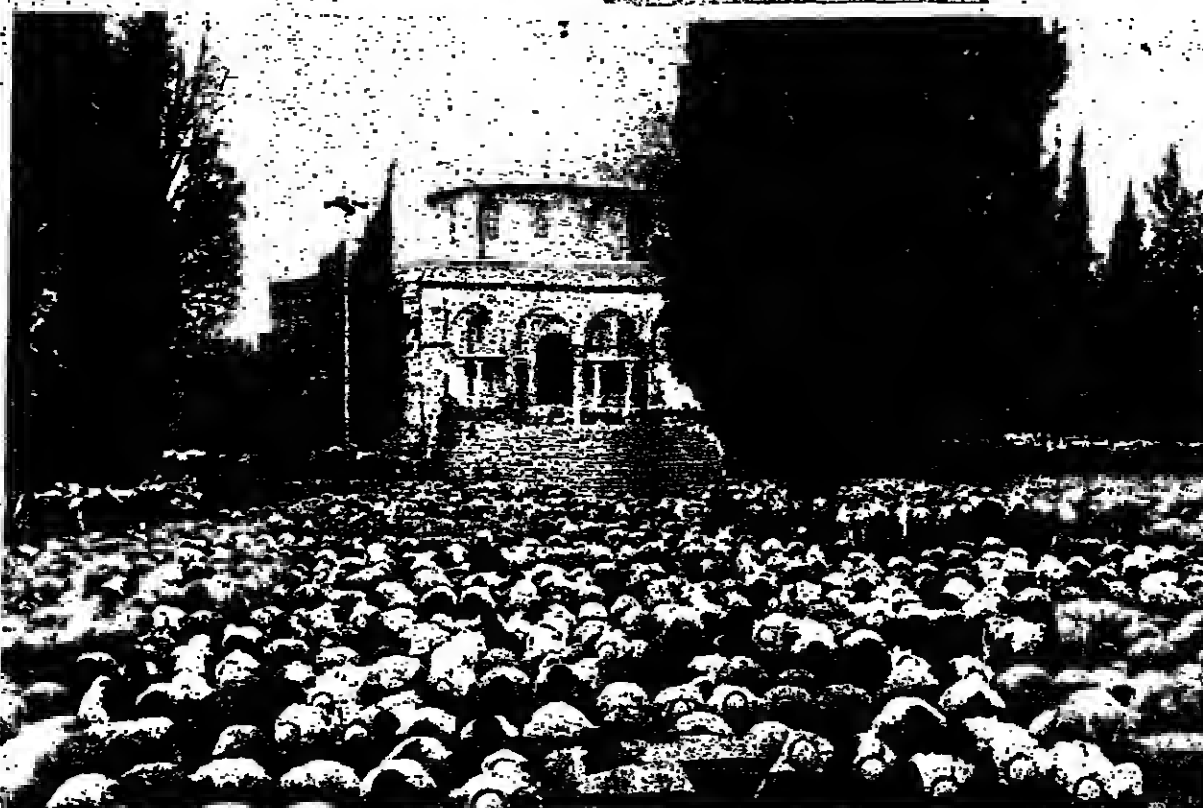
Hotels and recreation areas will be crowded for the holiday, especially in Jerusalem. Rabbi Moshe Saligson, national hotel inspector for the chief rabbinate, has instructed all hotel managers in how to meet their guests' requirements for observing Rosh Hashana.

On Tuesday afternoon, traditional Jews will walk to the nearest body of water and fulfill the words of the prophet Micah by symbolically "casting their sins into the depths of the sea." One explanation of the Jewish custom is that the fish in the sea, whose eyes never close, is a reminder of the ever-watchful eyes of God who always looks down on His children in mercy.

Over a thousand holiday prayer books have been distributed by the Absorption Ministry to Soviet immigrants in absorption centers and those arriving during the Rosh Hashana period at Ben-Gurion Airport. Volunteers are also distributing among the newcomers bottles of honey, greeting cards and booklets explaining the holiday traditions.

Habad Hassidim have spread through the country, visiting army bases and immigrant centers for the holiday "mitva missions." At the bidding of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, they will conduct services and blow the shofar in far-off areas. A mobile synagogue is being set up in Rome where Habadniks will organize services for Russian Jewish emigrants. Others will visit communities in the U.S. where Israeli yordim (emigrants) are concentrated.

Egged announced that it has readied a fleet of 3,600 buses to bring passengers to their destinations before and after Rosh Hashana, with most inter-city routes getting vehicular reinforcements. The bus cooperative urges travellers to leave early.



Thousands of Moslems from Israel, the administered territories and neighbouring countries pack the compound of al-Aksa in Jerusalem's Old City to mark the last Friday of the fast month of Ramadan. The month, during which Moslems fast from dawn to dusk, will end Tuesday with the three-day Id el-Fitr festival. Picture shows male worshippers outside the jammed al-Aksa Mosque. Women prayed in front of the Dome of the Rock Mosque in the background.

Policemen held as terror suspects

JERICHO (Itim). — Three Arab policemen from the Jericho police station were arrested last week by security forces on suspicion of membership in terrorist organizations.

The three policemen are suspected of providing terror organizations with details of army movements in the Jericho area.

Half of MKs' pay to party

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Labour Party Knesset members have contributed half of one month's pay to a fund-raising campaign the party has started to help its finances.

Appeals to workers to contribute to the fund will be made through their shop committees, the party's bureau decided on Thursday. It was also resolved to request membership dues from everyone "as an educational act which brings the party member closer to the party."

A discussion on "Right and Left in the Labour Movement" will be held at Beit Berl on Thursday. It will be the first in a series of monthly ideological discussions.

Labour Party chairman Shimon Peres announced the schedule for the next six meetings of the central committee, which will meet on the first Thursday of every month. The subject of the meeting scheduled for October will be the forthcoming national convention of the Histadrut.

The party's stand on municipal elections will be discussed by Shlomo Hillel, former minister of the Interior and Police, in November. Discussion on settlement policy will be outlined by Yisrael Galili in December. A discussion of general policy will be held in March.

Patt: Major changes needed to prevent El Al close-down

No minor alterations in El Al's management or staff committees could improve the situation in what is basically a very sick company, Construction Minister Gideon Patt said yesterday.

El Al's labour-management problems will be discussed in today's Cabinet meeting.

Patt, who heads the ministerial El Al committee, told Israel Radio's weekly newscast that even if the company is not closed down, as he threatened last week, it needs basic reorganization in depth. El Al's future is "tipped on the scales," Patt said, with the slightest disruption in service sufficient cause for the Government to close down the airline.

If the company is closed down it will not mean stopping flights with a return to normal service after a week. The necessary overhaul, if not attainable through negotiations, will be done by closing down El Al and opening a new "healthy" company, he said.

Referring to rumours that company president Mordechai Ben-Ari would be replaced as part of house cleaning, Patt said that El Al's problem is "structural and not personal." Ben-Ari's job has not been offered to anyone, he said, adding that whoever proposes replacing one or another of the company's managers or firing part of the board of directors is in effect continuing in the old system of patching up the defects, Patt said.

Patt outlined four conditions, which, if accepted by the management and workers, would prevent having to close the company down. One, forming a joint staff committee to replace the eight existing bodies. Two, instituting an obligatory disciplinary code. Three, laying down guidelines for solving labour disputes and, finally, agreement by the workers to accept the authority of the management.

Bitan Roseman, head of the maintenance workers committee, appearing on the same programme, did not deny "that something is rotten" in El Al but blamed the management for the situation.

Roseman proposed closing down the company for a limited period in order to achieve the necessary improvements.

THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND has planted a garden of trees at the International Women's Forest near Tur'an in Galilee in memory of the victims of Rumania's earthquake.

MIFAL HAPAYIS's Operating Fund — earmarked for construction of hospitals and schools — has reached IL5,000m., the state lottery reported on Friday.

Little UK reaction to news of Begin visit

By NYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

Begin from coming. But they will clearly indulge in a character assassination exercise when he is here, portraying him as a "murderer of Arabs" and of British policemen.

Memories of Begin's last visit here — five years ago, when he was merely the Opposition leader and not short his stay because of hostile demonstrations — are still fresh. At that time, even some Jews, supporters of Mapam and of Matzpen, joined in the attacks. This time, however, British Mapam president Itzhak Nathani says he "doubts whether anything of that nature" will happen.

However, Nathan did say Mapam would consider boycotting any official Jewish communal welcome for Begin. "It's not our simcha," he told me.

Eric Moonman, MP, chairman of the Zionist Federation and like many other British Zionists a Labour man, said he was pleased that the invitation from Britain had come after that of America, and that Israel's Premier would have a chance of talking to Britain's. He, too, did not think any Jews would join in anti-Begin demonstrations, though he felt that some might boycott the visit.

He said however that Begin would have to be "very careful and circumspect" if he wanted to impress the British public. "I don't know that his charisma will work here in the way that it did in America," Moonman said. He also thought that representations would be made to the Prime Minister on religious matters such as any possible change in the Law of Return, and warned that "some of us will not be so easily put off" as he said Rabbi Alexander Schindler and U.S. Jewry were.

Lord Fisher, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jewry and another Labour man, wholeheartedly welcomed Begin's visit. "I'm sure it can only do good and that he will make an excellent impression," he said.

One of the people most closely concerned with promoting Israel's image in Britain told me that while the visit was clearly going to be controversial and "our enemies will seize on it," he nevertheless thought that the sooner Begin came and cleared the air, the better.



Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur pins the insignia of rank on the outstanding cadet in a passing out parade at the end of a Civil Defence Officers' course.

Congress will OK arms to Egypt

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. Congress will discuss but is not expected to oppose the administration's proposed \$250m. arms sale to Egypt — which includes 12 reconnaissance drones, 14 C-130 military transport planes and sophisticated photography equipment.

Under U.S. law, Congress has 30 days to block the sale by approving concurrent resolutions of disapproval in both houses. But informed congressional sources do not believe such an effort will be made, and say the sale will go through.

The picture-taking pilotless drones will be able to fly 500 kms. from Egypt at a speed of over 1,000 kms. an hour and then return to their launching area, where the film would be developed. These drones would be the first Egypt has acquired.

Last year the U.S. supplied Egypt with six C-130 transports. The additional 14 now being proposed would give Egypt two squadrons of the planes, which can be used for carrying both troops and equipment.

Israel student body in U.S. reorganizes

By MALKA KAHINOWITZ
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staff from six to two persons, Yaron said.

Yaron said the ISO has hired a New York firm of accountants to audit its books. He said the organization is now funded solely by membership fees from its 3,000 members and from the proceeds of advertising in its bulletin.

The ISO and three former officials were named together with the State of Israel as defendants in a \$518,786 lawsuit which Ben-Eliezer filed last week in the New York State Supreme Court. He is claiming breach of contract over his dismissal as well as damages for "false and defamatory matter" circulated about him.

He linked the latter charge to a newsletter circulated last winter by ISO officials in New York to other branches of the students organization. The newsletter complained of Ben-Eliezer's failure to convene constituted bodies of the ISO.

Ben-Eliezer served as secretary of the students organization from 1972 until his suspension in mid-December of 1976 and his dismissal in February. His term was due to expire in March 1978.

The suit does not refer to a report drawn up by a committee that conducted a two-month probe into the ISO's finances.

The committee was composed of two Israeli lawyers then in New York, Ami Gliniger and Yitzhak Gal-Or, and an Israeli doctoral student at Columbia University, Dov Frishberg. They were assisted by an outside lawyer and an accountant, according to sources here.

Their 150-page report was submitted early this year to the ISO's national committee. A copy also went to the State Comptroller.

Yaron characterized Ben-Eliezer's charges as "totally false." He said the ISO would probably reply to the court suit with a counterclaim, charging mismanagement during Ben-Eliezer's term of office and seeking damages for the "serious harm caused the good name of the organization."

100 on JIA mission next month

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Three hundred top ade of the Joint Israel Appeal will go to Israel on October 16 on a six-day "30th Anniversary" mission.

They will be guests of the Army's Air Force and the mayors of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. Prime Minister Menachem Begin will give a message at the Knesset on the eve of group's departure.

The annual Kol Nidre campaign was launched at meetings in London and Manchester by Chief Rabbi Moshe Rosen of Rumania, who came to London for the occasion. The appeal, the biggest mass collection for Israel, has a target of £1m. and the proceeds are earmarked for children's projects in Israel.

Rabbi Rosen said: "Your invitation to me is a symbol of Jewish solidarity and unity." He also revealed that Britain's chief rabbi, Immanuel Jakobovits, will visit Rumania after Succot.

Imm group oppose closing Absorption

Jerusalem Post Reporter

he signatures of 44 new immigrant professors and doctors are petition against closing down Absorption Ministry's plans to reduce last week to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

The delegation of the signatories, led by Grisha Feigin, head of the Immigrants Association, told Rabin that absorption must be handled by the government and not the Jewish Agency. (Arye Dahan, the Agency's treasurer, has argued for months that the job should be transferred to a supreme aliya and absorption authority that would be controlled by the Agency.)

The immigrant professors and doctors, who come from Russia, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Poland and the U.S., said the ministry should be given more authority in order to succeed. They insisted that the absorption minister be appointed to head a ministerial committee on absorption.

Nadel wants libel suit thrown out

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Journalist Yehuda Nadel has asked the District court here to dismiss a IL500,000 libel suit filed against him by former S.M. Mordechai Ben-Porat for claiming that Israeli agents threw bombs on Iraqi synagogues to scare Iraqis into emigrating to Israel in the 1950s.

Ben-Porat had claimed in his suit since he was one of the Israeli agents who were active in Iraq at the time, Nadel's allegations had harmed his political career. Nadel's spouse claims that several papers already published stories about bombs in Iraq before his allegations appeared in "Ezra" magazine, a journal of the Sephardi and Oriental Jewish communities.

No suit had been filed against these papers, Nadel says.

Ben-Porat had not been named or even hinted at in Nadel's article, the journalist says, which removes justification for a suit against him. The allegations about the Israeli agents' actions in Iraq are of so serious and complicated a nature that the government, and not the courts, should use its resources to find out what really happened, Nadel says.

Dutch Jews protest against PLO

THE HAGUE (UPI). — Talks of two representatives of the Palestinian Liberation Organization with members of the Dutch Lower House sign affairs committee scheduled next Thursday have generated furious protests from some Jewish religious communities in the Netherlands.

He communities have distributed a statement saying they rejected the "because this questionable deal is desirable to talk with PLO, which openly strives for the creation of the State of Israel."

He request two months ago from the PLO offices in Paris and asks respectively, to be received by the Lower House committee was accepted on basis of the informal procedure often applied to meetings with liberation movements. Under this procedure individual members saying they are interested may take part, officials explained.

There is no agenda for the meeting, but it is generally assumed that the PLO would like to have an office in Holland.

The officials said it was likely the two PLO delegates wanted to sound out the committee as to opening an office. The officials expected that on basis of the soundings the PLO would decide whether to approach Foreign Minister Max van der Stoep.

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Cooper, accompanied by his wife, came to Israel to do a summer course in ancient history at the Hebrew University and volunteered his spare time to teach wirecraft at Hadassah

hospital in Ein Karem. "Teaching the kids themselves is a very gratifying and therapeutic experience — for both them and myself," says Cooper, "but it's not enough because once the kids leave hospital, the knowledge goes with him."

Cooper's wire sculptures begin with basic stick figures made from telephone wire that is twisted into a tight bundle. Then, strands of thin, colourful wires are wrapped around the twisted wires in coils that dress up the items. Brightly coloured buttons fill in as hats or headlights.



UK students find it hard to be 'neutral'

By LEA LEVAVI / Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — When a delegation of five British students visited Lebanon and asked PLO leaders searching questions, they were asked in return if they were Zionists. Then the students came here, asked the same questions and were accused of being PLO sympathizers.

The students, all officials of the U.K. National Union of Students, were sent by their union on a 12-day fact-finding mission to Lebanon and Israel (six days in each country) at the end of August to learn all they could about the Middle East conflict in preparation for a debate at the union convention this winter.

The union's interest in the Middle East stemmed from debates on several British college campuses over the UN's "Zionism is racism" resolution. The National Union of Students has a policy against racism on campuses. Though this policy was designed to prevent fascist groups from organizing on the campuses, and to prohibit campus speeches by racists, certain leftist and Palestinian student groups are now trying to use the anti-racist policy to thwart the activities of Jewish students' societies.

The union's national executive took a strong stand against this and threatened to punish any local union that banned Jewish associations on its campus. However, the heated debate on this subject led to a debate on the whole Middle East question,

which in turn prompted the union to send the delegation.

What was scheduled to be an interview with the entire five-man delegation (whose members included Broad Leftists, a Trotskyite and a Conservative) ended up as an interview with the delegation leader, Trevor Phillips, who is a Broad Leftist, the union's national secretary and black.

He explained that the union's democratic principles do not allow for representatives to express their personal opinions as if they were the opinions of the union. "We are here as representatives, not as individuals," he said. "And therefore we cannot tell you our personal opinions. Those opinions will be reflected in our report to our convention, but in the meantime all we can say is what we saw in Lebanon and here, and the delegation has asked me to speak for them."

Phillips said he and his fellow delegates were surprised and impressed to see PLO-operated orphanages and hospitals in Lebanon, because they had always considered the PLO merely "a gang of men with guns." He said that the questions which made PLO people most uncomfortable were those about what would happen to the Jewish population (particularly



Trevor Phillips

those Jews who came after 1948) in the PLO's "secular, democratic state." "Of course, they said that nobody would be kicked out of here," Phillips said, "but the question made them ask us if we were Zionists." Here, he thought the questions which Israelis considered hostile were those about administrative detention of Arabs and about the Palestinians' national rights versus the legitimacy of a Jewish state. "We never got a real answer to that

last question," he said. "The most straightforward one we got was from an official of the Foreign Ministry who said there are two peoples, both with national rights, and that the final decision about whose rights are greater will be a matter of whose forces are greater."

Formal meetings here included interviews with the military governor of Ramallah, officials of the Foreign Ministry and representatives of all the political parties, including a talk with Golda Meir. But the delegates also talked informally with their hosts from the Israeli Union of Students as well as with taxi drivers, storekeepers and other Israelis whom they met in their travels.

"Most of the Jews we spoke to fit somewhere in the Labour Alignment or Likud realm," Phillips said. "As for the Arabs, the ones I talked to said basically that they didn't care if Jews also lived here but that they want their land and national pride back."

Though Phillips refused to express any of his opinions on the Middle East conflict directly, he did say that there were areas in which the visit had "changed" his and the other delegates' views. "Before we got to the Golan Heights, none of us had accepted the Israeli argument about having to keep the Golan for security reasons. But when we got there we saw clearly that whoever controls the Golan Heights can strike at the plain of Galilee."

'France's 700,000 Jews need a Zionist conscience'

LETTER FROM PARIS
Jack Maurice



Albert Memmi

Jacobins, adamant advocates of central government, like the rest of the French. They did not want to stick out.

"Some of the leaders have not changed their views, but the Jewish masses have progressed enormously. Go to the Jewish working-class quarters of Montmartre or Belleville. If they got permission to hang Israeli flags out of their windows, they'd do it like a flash."

MEMMI is disappointed that only 40,000 French Jews are enrolled in Zionist movements and only a fraction of these vote on major issues. "Go to the clothing-business quarter in Paris's Rue du Sentier. The shopkeepers are all Zionists, but they never cast a ballot."

"It's a pity that our Zionist leaders have lacked the imagination to propose an attractive new framework to youth. The relative proportion of Jews among French students is much higher than of non-Jews. But the Zionist effort hardly makes any impact on the youngsters, whereas Jews are active militants among the Communists and Leftists."

He would like to see French Jewry break away from its traditional moorings to wealth: "We must get away from the concept of a bourgeois, money-based elite as the core of the community. The Rothschilds have done a lot for our people; they pay and pay. But it is wrong that three-quarters of Jewish organizations should have Rothschilds at their helm. The ruling Jewish class should not be a moneyed class. This discourages young Jews."

WHEN HE TALKS about the cultural status of the community, Memmi takes care to dot his 'i's and cross his 't's.

"I'm glad to be an artisan of the notion, which has at last gained acceptance, that Jewish culture is something wider than religion. In the old days, when the community was entirely based on religion, people who were not practising Jews were

treated as outsiders. But Ashkenazi immigrants who did go to the synagogue still spoke Yiddish and ate gefilte fish. They were still Jews. So are people like Col. Ben-David, Alain Krivine and the left-wing leaders who broke w religion and claim they don't if they're Jews any longer."

"This does not mean that I derestimates the role of religion Jewish life. After all, it made possible the survival of this Jewish people and preserved their special character."

"I upset a lot of Jews by saying their situation should be analysed the same way as that of the 70 world nations. But Jews like to their problems are unique. Catholicism has been very important for the French Catholics; they had not been Roman Catholics they would have been swallowed by the Protestant majority. However, culture is a whole set of vital answers which enable a people to face their condition as human beings. I try to persuade Jewish youth that even if they are religious, they are also Jews of the world nations. But Jews like to their problems are unique."

"In my book 'The Dominant Man,' I invented the word 'Jude' to describe the state of belonging to the Jewish culture. This is a bit we are winning. Youngsters in universities are recognizing it. Judely regardless of whether are Zionists or not."

AS A SOCIOLOGIST, Memmi attaches great importance to the played by the North African who arrived in France during late 1950s and early 1960s in relation to the community's mix class and artisan element. "The Jewish community is socially comparable to France whole. This is doubly important means we are no longer bourgeois, as everybody imag we were. It also helped to mak community as concerned about integration of North African Jews as in France."

"The social problem in Israel is not the kibbutzim but masses from the Arab countries. Kibbutz is a marvelous origin; permit; but times have cha Over half the Israel popul originate from North Africa another 20 per cent were bo Israel. So Oriental Jews now sent three-quarters of the pc tion."

The old political person main Ashkenazi and prefer European attachments. But t sheer nostalgia. Both in Franc in Israel, the social problem i of the Oriental Jews, and we h find an answer to it."

Memmi is optimistic about future: "Throughout the world the revival of national consciou among Arabs, Blacks, Scot Irish. So it would be strange phenomenon were to be stamp in its Jewish expression. The I Israel is irreversible."

Retrieving Red Sea treasure

HANOVER. — Reserves of millions of tons of copper, zinc, silver and other metals have been found on the floor of the Red Sea, and a revolutionary mining project is to start next year to retrieve them.

Scientists have known for several years that the floor of the Red Sea contains high concentrations of metals valuable to industry, but there has always been doubt as to whether these reserves can be removed safely and economically from the seabed. If next year's Red Sea mining venture proves successful, it could open the way to a new era of undersea mining, since geologists know of several other areas below water that contain considerable reserves of metals.

The area where commercial mining is to start is aptly known as Atlantis II, after the legendary sunken continent, and is situated in the middle of the Red Sea directly west of Jeddah. A German company, with the financial backing of the Sudan and Saudi Arabia, is to start production.

The scientists working on the project claim that the quantities of metal involved are so huge that they will provide a significant addition to the world's dwindling stocks. They predict, for instance, that five years after production begins, the Red Sea will be yielding 100,000 metric tons of zinc and 20,000 metric tons of copper annually. Comparison with present world production puts these figures into perspective. Last year, world zinc production fell by over 15 per cent to 6.5 million metric tons; copper suffered a similar fate, with production dropping from nearly 6 million metric tons in 1976 to less than 4.5 million last year.

THE ATLANTIS II site is a particularly deep basin in the sea bed, probably going as low as 2,000 metres, in which mud has collected

A German firm plans to dig out mineral riches at a site aptly named Atlantis II, reports World Feature Service reporter PATRICK BURNS.

and rests undisturbed by currents. It is estimated that there is between 150 million and 200 million tons of metal-containing mud lying in the basin.

The metals collect in the mud for a variety of reasons. Sea water will "leach" the elements from the earth's crust and carry them along until the water remains still enough for the "cargo" to sink slowly into the mud. Scientists believe also that certain metals originate inside the earth and are blown through the crust by volcanic pressure to solidify on the seabed. Other explanations are also put forward. But it seems certain that, however the metals got there, once they hit one of the many basins or troughs they remain there in growing concentrations.

Atlantis II is only one of many basins in the Red Sea but it happens to have been the subject of several undersea exploration voyages by German, British and American research vessels. The zinc deposits are thought to total 6 per cent of the mud in other words, up to 12 million tons of zinc. Copper is thought to make up one per cent, giving reserves of pure copper of around two million tons.

The authorities concerned in the project are cagey about divulging details of how they are to retrieve the metal and mud from the seabed. One of the fears is that a simple dredging operation would disturb huge amounts of silt and seriously

upset the ecological balance Red Sea. It is thought that th means will perform a giant "cleaning" operation, simply as the mud and its contents thr tube straight up to the surface problem here is that the sea w highly corrosive and could do s damage to expensive pu equipment; but it is thought a relatively dry method of s up the mud has been devised, reduces to a minimum the am sea water raised.

Oil-rig-type platforms probably aim to raise a minim 3,000 tons of mud a day to be pi ed and relieved of its "treas ure."

THERE ARE STILL a lot of and "butts" about the whole s especially concerning the cor of processing millions of t mud; however, in money seabed "vacuuming" does quire the massive investm digging quarries or tur nishing, which in fact determi the removing metal ores terrestrial mines.

The potential for seabed m enormous. In the Red Sea there are 12 other basin sites thought to contain huge res zinc, copper, silver and man as well as smaller amou uranium and other rare els.

A specific zone along the r of the north and south Atl believed to be a promising further prospecting.

The scientists involved Atlantis II project believe t new techniques of undersea being learnt by oil compan North Sea, together developments in under blasting with convention nuclear materials, are likely tribute considerably to the fi underwater mining.

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DAM IN THE DESERT

LEA TUCHMAN / Special to The Jerusalem Post

HAVE YOU ever seen the belly of a dam? It stands, stark naked, in the midst of the desert. It is a remarkable piece of workmanship, its yellow stones so well fitted together. Its graded slopes go down to the bottom of the dry gully. You are seized with giddiness as you peer down.

Access is along a bridge not more than a metre wide: to your right is the dam, to the left a steep ravine caused by soil erosion. Shepherded by a determined guide, you pick your way fearfully, step by step, towards the dam.

As you go, you wonder who on earth could have built this magnificent dam, high and dry, all by itself in the Sinai Desert — and for whom? "The British", says the guide laconically, "in the 1920s".

Some Mandatory official (or perhaps a bright young man on the staff of the legendary Major Jarvis, who was in charge of Sinai when it was a separate British administrative unit for a few years after the end of World War I) had conceived the idea of settling the nomadic Beduin. He probably never asked them what they thought of it, if he ever met them.

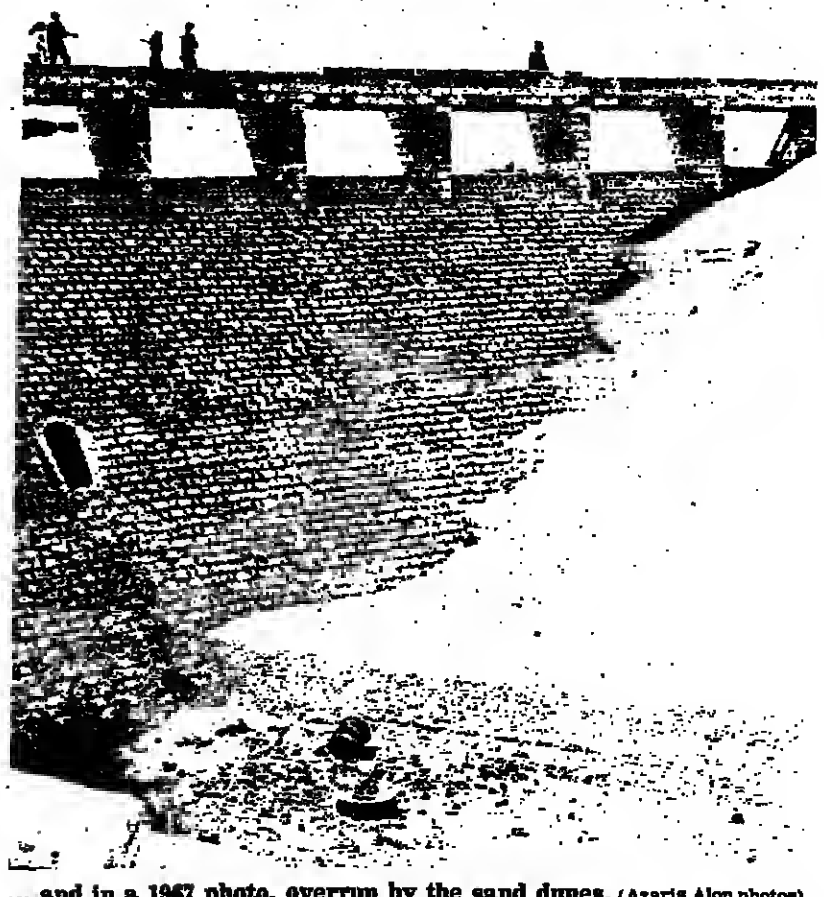
The paternalistic colonial administration wanted to make the desert bloom and imbue the Beduin with a taste for gardening. Quite simple,

really. There was Wadi el-Arish. There were Colonial Office engineers in London who had probably never seen a Beduin tribesman, but knew all about designing dams. And there were Treasury officials who had never seen a desert but could grant the necessary funds.

THE TROUBLE was that there is little water in a desert. True, there can be sudden flash-floods which can turn a dry wadi into a mini-Nile in the winter. Then the pipelines get choked with sand or mud. They have to be cleaned and kept in order, and for this the senior civil servant on the spot — or the local district officer — has to rely on the Beduin to do the job.

But what happens if the Beduin prefers to stick to his black goat-hair tent, his silently padding camel, or a little normal smuggling, rather than keep water pipes clean to grow unfamiliar vegetables? Why so much work, when date palms adorn the nearby white beaches, and the sea is blue and fishing easy.

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... and in a 1967 photo, overrun by the sand dunes. (Azaris Alon photos)

5737: a year in retrospect

THE JEWISH SCENE / Geoffrey Wigoder

THE Israel-Diaspora relationship as dominated the past year. This is been connected with the dramatic change of the men at the top. The replacement of Ford by Carter got many worrying. Ford was down and proven; Carter, unknown and elusive. His attitude to the Jewish people seemed warm and friendly, but when it came to the Middle East there were danger flags raised.

Since Carter's advent to power, S-Israel relations have been on a e-saw and the American Jewish establishment has found itself in a position in the middle of the con-ontation. The President's inference and other elements have been intervening 'stingingly' in gh places, attempting to stem the action of Israel's positions.

The arrival of Menachem Begin as time minister further complicated a position. Like Carter, he is a man undoubted principles. But his principles boded a further deterioration relations with the U.S. After initial amazement and trepidation, American Jewish leadership swung back Begin and assumed a major role in smoothing Washington winds. Begin's U.S. visit proved a public relations success and removed the 'evil image' American Jews feared that it stood four-square behind the Israel Government. But a real testing time lies ahead, and direct clash between Begin's principles and Carter's policy could lead to a deep heart-searching among Diaspora Jews, especially in the U.S.

Diaspora Jewry has also been deeply involved in efforts to combat the Arab boycott. Early in the inauguration of U.S. Jewry, an anti-boycott bill received strong support Congress, although a number of opholes weakened its effectiveness. Many other governments stood on the fence while the French government vilified (or should we say Vichy-sted) a bill passed by parliament outlawing compliance with boycott demands. French Jewry was also shocked at its government's handling of the Abu and affair. The release of the ab terrorist led to protests and demonstrations but by then the bird had been flown.

England was the scene of highly stirring developments. A series of ti-Israel resolutions on English mpuses also had anti-Jewish un-ces. The students' union at the University of Warwick called for the pulson of Zionist student bodies. Oxford University students passed a tion identifying Zionism with ism and went on to deny campus idities to the university's Jewish

Society. Students at Essex University passed a motion calling for the abolition of the State of Israel. Six university unions decided to bar speakers advocating Zionism.

British Jews feared that support of the Palestinian cause could compound latent anti-Semitism. They were also worried by the growth of the National Front whose hate-mongering, while not primarily directed against Jews, at present was reminiscent of the right-wing anti-Semitic groups of the not-so-distant past. Last month saw assaults on Jews in North-West London, and the National Front march in Lewisham provoked riots all-too-reminiscent of Mosley's East End marches in the 1930s.

INSIDE Russia, official attitudes remained as hard as previously. Some Jewish activists were imprisoned on various trumped-up charges, some were allowed to leave the country — probably to a large extent as a result of continuing pressure and demonstrations in the West. The refusedniks — the Jews denied permission to leave — continued a courageous struggle, often openly challenging the authorities. Emigration continued on an annual level of 12-15,000 but the proportion of these Russian Jews going to Israel declined to under 50 per cent. The others went on to other destinations, notably the U.S., where they were usually assisted by the local communities.

Despite the overwhelming consensus between Israel and the U.S. Jewish community, areas of potential friction developed. Mr. Begin's undertaking to Agudat Israel to reverse the present attitude to non-Orthodox conversions in the framework of the Law of the Return has aroused concern and dismay among Reform and Conservative groups, representing three-quarters of the synagogue-affiliated Jews in North America.

The small — 1,200-member — Broke's group has attracted attention out of all proportion to its size. Its main thrust has been to support the proposal for a Palestinian state on the West Bank and Gaza under PLO leadership. At the same time, its members have protested their devotion to Israel.

The most sensational event of the year was the attack by an idiosyncratic group of Black Muslims gunmen on Washington buildings, including the B'nai B'rith headquarters, accompanied by anti-Semitic slogans.

In Canada, the election results in Quebec bothered many Jews in that

province. The problem there is not anti-Semitism but the implications for Jews, as for other non-French groups, of the rise to power of French-Canadian nationalists. Jews have always been part of the Anglophone elements and the new Francophone legislation has already created problems for Jewish education.

Two other English-speaking communities facing question-marks are those of South Africa and Rhodesia. The question of emigration has been agitating South African Jews (although in recent years many more Jews have moved to South Africa, mostly from Israel, than have left), while the number of Jews in Rhodesia is steadily dwindling.

A deterioration was reported from Argentina with a new wave of anti-Semitism. Anti-Jewish literature is flooding the newspapers and the community has become the target of kidnappings and bomb attacks on synagogues. The neo-Nazi members of the paramilitary groups authorized by the government to conduct counter-terrorist measures have a free hand — which they often use against Jews.

The peace offensive of the past year meant a breather for Jews left in the Arab countries. Certain restrictions were lifted on the hard-pressed Syrian community, and a number of girls were allowed to leave after proxy marriages were arranged with husbands in the U.S., but Jews there still enter discrimination. The rulers of Morocco and Egypt suggested that Jews who had left those lands would be welcomed if they returned, but Jews from Arab lands showed no desire to put their heads back in the lion's mouth.

Also in the past year: The severe earthquake in Rumania claimed many Jewish victims and the destruction of a number of communal buildings... The first international Jewish conference meeting on Spanish soil revolved a number of plans for World Jewish Congress leaders to be received by King Juan Carlos were cancelled under Arab pressure... A document issued under top Catholic auspices rejected all forms of proselytizing among Jews... Arrangements were being made to transfer the ancient Jewish catacombs in Rome to Jewish supervision and to them them to the public... Sanli Bellow was one of several Jews to be awarded a Nobel Prize... Sir Zelman Cowen became the second Jew to be appointed governor-general of Australia... and the world seemed greyer with Dr. Kissinger back in private life.

Interstellar wavelength gets unwanted signals

By THOMAS O'TOOLE / Washington Post News Service

which will allow submarines, surface warships, combat aircraft and even foot soldiers to pinpoint their positions on earth. The Pentagon calls them the global positioning satellites, and says 24 are needed to have four over any spot on earth at all times.

The problem is that the air force satellites will broadcast in the same microwave frequencies in which space scientists believe aliens would broadcast if they wanted to be heard. These frequencies range across a band of the microwave spectrum scientists call the "waterhole." Only in that band do hydrogen and oxygen radiate natural radio signals into space. Combine hydrogen and oxygen and you have water, which is why it is called the waterhole.

Scientists assume that aliens advanced enough to broadcast messages would be at least as familiar with the waterhole as we are and would choose it for their frequency for the same reasons we would if we were broadcasting. The waterhole has been described as the

"sign language" in which alien civilizations might best conduct a dialogue.

The air force picked these frequencies because they're free of radio interference. Space scientists find the same frequencies appealing for the same reason. Signals from aliens reaching earth free of radio noise will be much easier to detect and identify.

But not for too much longer. The air force plans to orbit its first global positioning satellite as early as next year and have its network of 24 in place by 1984. Once the network is in position, its noise will drown out any signals beamed to us from an alien civilization anywhere near its frequencies.

The space agency's strategy in fighting the air force is to get a programme under way this year that will survey the sky starting next year for alien broadcast signals. The idea is to get evidence for an alien civilization before the air force has its 24 satellites in place. If the space agency does that, it might be able to

gather public or even world opinion behind a more intense search.

The space agency has other reasons for making an early search of the sky for alien broadcasts. A consortium of seafaring nations will have in orbit in five years a navigation satellite called Marist that will overwhelm another portion of the microwave spectrum NASA considers promising. A consortium of countries that make up Intelsat will orbit a new communications satellite about the same time that will take over a third.

Space scientists are deadly serious about searching the sky for alien broadcasts. They say the detection of such signals would be discoveries that would alter the course of human history for centuries to come.

Some astronomers have warned that if alien broadcasts are identified, we should not reply for fear the aliens might attempt to destroy or enslave the earth. JPL's Edelson says that if a signal is heard we might decide to spend years or even centuries analyzing the broadcast before we broadcast back.

"That doesn't say we can't learn a great deal by simply detecting a signal and translating what's in it," Edelson said. "The analogy has been made by Phillip Morrison of MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) that we received a great deal to the same one-way sense from the ancient Greeks that we have been unable to transmit back to them."

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Three men who made computer crime pay

By CHARLES FOLEY / Observer Foreign News Service

LOS ANGELES (Ofns). — Does me pay in the U.S. is the art of thing away with it practiced with are fines in this country than were around the world? And for see criminals who have escaped the loot, did the game prove with the candle?

The answers are yes, yes, and yes. he only the highly sophisticated id of white-collar computer me: experts in the field, agree it computer-theft costs the U.S. siness world billions of dollars an- ally — and in detected crimes me. For every case that comes to rt, ten are thought to be either un- covered or hushed up by the firms olved to protect their image.

Some recent cases of Ones Who t Away — at least for long enough spend the money — indicate how it e done. First the most reckless: ne year ago, a 26-year-old ink's guard named Richard Rees lked off his job on an armored ck with \$516,308 in a champagne s under one arm. Over the next months, he went on an American resey that ate up all but \$880 of the ten money. What fast women did: take, slow horses did! Rees tered his adventures in a 17-page ter, mildly entitled "My Story," to an Francisco Chronicle's colum- t Herb Caen, who passed it on to FBI.

How do you get through half a lilon dollars in ten months? "You y a bar and have a party," Rees lained. On the road, his hair dyed ck, the former Marine (decorated his efforts in Vietnam) met a man called in his letter "L." She rked the topless nightclubs of Texas, but not after her discovery Rees's riches. For "L" Rees bought a car, ck, a TV set, a "wardrobe worth usands." He gave her a \$7,000 id, a \$9,000 bank account and set up in her own nightclub. What e could a girl ask? Well, more o same: Rees says he had only nt \$250,000 by the time he left the t of Fort Worth, clandestinely.

Whereupon "L", he says, sent three gunmen after him. A lot of the money went on \$2,000 horse race bets, another slice on a girl he calls "K" who, unhelpfully, turned out to be "cranky" and a lesbian swinger.

Never mind, Rees was having fun. He rented houseboats and gave extravagant parties. "I guess I have gone the way of the tipple. Of all the life-styles I have been through, I like this one the best." (The young bride he left behind in California expressed total bafflement: "I can't understand why he did it. He never complained about money. We had everything going for us. He was a nice, quiet man.")

Rees wrote that it was not having the FBI on his trail that bothered him, so much as those hit men. By last January, with the money all but gone, and "L's" hired gunmen closing in, he began to court capture. He could easily have escaped, he knew, but the party was over. Being a tycoon had been fun for a year, he told reporters after the FBI finally caught up with him in New Mexico: "I have no regrets."

What he will have is a stiff jail term, and a movie based on "My Story." Seven film companies, at last count, were competing for the rights to Richard Charles Rees.

But even Rees's adventures pale before the story of another One Who Got Away, D.B. Cooper. He is the man who jumped from a jet in 1971 with \$200,000 and parachuted down somewhere over the Oregon mountains. Cooper — probably a false name — hijacked a Northwest Airlines flight from Seattle to Reno, demanded the loot, got it, and walked down the ramp at the 727's tail exit into a stormy night.

After five years of searching, including elaborate aerial surveys of the mountains, the FBI is still looking for D.B. Cooper. Some weeks ago, the statute of limitations ran out on his crime, and officially he is regarded as a free man. Except that today the Internal Revenue Service wants him for tax evasion: over the past five years, Cooper's bag of 10-

000 \$20 bills has amassed more than \$220,000 in back taxes, fines and interest penalties. But for the time being, "D.B." assuming his bones are not bleaching on some Western mountainside, is free.

If Rees displayed sheer nerve, and D.B. Cooper sheer guts, then Eldon Royce takes the prize for ingenuity and persistence. Royce was a pioneer in the new widespread field of computer theft. America's most costly white-collar crime. Angered by some imagined slight from company bosses, Royce devised a complex scheme by which his computer padded cost items galore and reduced income items by tiny amounts. These added up to a fat surplus invisible to auditors unable to pursue every bleep on electronic tape. The money flowed into the 17 dummy companies Royce had set up for that purpose.

Royce got away with it for more than six years, during which he helped himself to \$1 million-plus. Like Richard Rees he was caught largely by his own choice: he could, presumably, still be playing games with his computer console had he not found the mental effort involved more than he could take. Exhausted by the labour of balancing his figures, he triggered his own exposure. He told the courts he had spent every penny, and got a ten-year sentence.

In our coming cashless and chequeless society, this kind of crime can only become more prevalent. As the plastic credit card replaces ready money in the U.S., and one's ability to use these cards depends on valid identification — usually a driver's licence — it becomes ever-easier to "beat the system." Use of false credentials to obtain goods or money is already one of the biggest white-collar crimes problems in the U.S.

A Justice Department official on the Federal Advisory Committee on False Identification says: "Faked or fraudulent ID now plays a role in more than ten billion dollars in yearly losses to business."

Israel leads Finland 2-1 Davis Cup match

By JACK LEON,
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

HASHARON — Israel day evening led Finland 2-1 in Davis Cup match between the countries here. This second round of the European competition ended today, starting at 1 p.m. Wertheimer and Shalom Stein both won their singles on 9. Then yesterday the home quickly took the opening two doubles and the 1,000 fans at Azmat Hasharon Tennis Centre getting ready to cheer a 2-0 certain victory, which have given Israel the tie with 3-0 lead.

then — in a stunning change of which seemed beyond reason — Finnish doubles champions George Berner and Matti ten found a new lease of life in the next three sets, winning 1-6, 6-3, 6-2. Everything depends on this afternoon's singles.

Wertheimer and Shalom Stein, ring together in only their second Davis Cup tie, combined nicely in the opening two sets. Wertheimer particularly prominent with brilliant volleying and wing. In little more than half an hour they were leading 2-0, leading the games in a row in a second set as so one-sided as to be ludicrous.

opponents shared the first six of the third set. But from then he hard-hitting, aggressive took command, winning 15 of 18 games.

The opening two singles followed a similar pattern, with the guests comfortably winning their first sets and then losing the next three. Wertheimer beat Berner 6-4, 6-2, 6-4 in a contest between the No. 1 racquets of Israel and Finland, and then Shalom Stein defeated Timonen 2-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-2. Some 1,500 spectators watched at the tennis center's superbly-appointed new Canada Stadium.

Berner, a 29-year-old engineer and a veteran of 14 Davis Cup matches, hurried to a 5-0 first-set lead against Wertheimer, 22, for whom this is his ninth tie in the competition. The Finn, impressive with splendid volleying and exemplary courtcraft, took a lot out of himself in the unaccustomed heat as he struggled to take the opener 6-8. Whiting visibly, Berner collected only two games in the next two sets. After the break, with the weather somewhat cooler, he showed new vigour and came within a point of going into a 6-4 lead, before Wertheimer got home 6-1.

After the 90-minute match Berner told *The Jerusalem Post*: "The heat just killed me. I have never competed anywhere in such weather and was exhausted in the second and third sets, but Wertheimer certainly played well."

Timonen, 23, Finland's No. 2, who is a mathematics student at Helsinki University, gave 19-year-old Shalom Stein a harder fight than the final score indicates. He served a dozen aces and showed breathtaking power overhead and speed in an all-out attack.



Wertheimer



Berner

tacking game. Shalom Stein remained steady under pressure, showing unexpected mobility and often matching Timonen in volleying. The visitor is participating in his seventh Davis Cup fixtures. For Shalom Stein this is his third tie.

Referee of the event is Ronald Steele and umpires are Aharon Sapir, Gabriel Dubitzky and Dan Zehut. The other members of Israel's team are Ilan Sherr and Shai Punt while the other guest player is Kristian Tannusvori.

At the official opening ceremony yesterday, the players were welcomed

ed by Israel Lawn Tennis Association President Mordechai Mayer and Hannu Mantyvarra, the Finnish charge d'affaires.

Israel's coach and non-playing captain Jackie Saul told *The Post* last night that, in spite of the setback in the doubles, he was still hopeful his team could win at least one of today's singles and thus take the tie. Finnish captain Tapio Jokinen also expressed optimism. "After our great comeback in the doubles, we are still in with a real chance of victory," he said.

Three NL teams lose warm-ups

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — In pre-season warm-up soccer matches yesterday, three National League teams were beaten by teams from lower leagues.

Third Division League "A" side Kiryat Ono Hapoel beat Yehud Hapoel 2-0. Second Division side Ashdod Hapoel thrashed Jerusalem Hapoel 3-0. Rishon LeZion Hapoel beat Jaffa Maccabi 1-0.

Other results were: Petah Tikva Hapoel 3, Petah Tikva Maccabi 0; Tel Aviv Hapoel 2, Ramat Gan Hapoel 1; Holon Hapoel 0, Shimonah 2; Bnei Yehuda 0, Tel Aviv Beter 2.

New football heads elected

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — A new Football Association management was elected last week, and its first serious business will be to decide on the number of clubs to play in league soccer in the 1978/79 season.

Michael Almog of Hapoel will continue as FA chairman for a further two years. Saladin Miskali will be the new treasurer, replacing Menahem Ariav, who is to be the new mayor of Upper Nazareth.

Maccabi representatives proposed to the general meeting at Beit Sokolow that four clubs be promoted from the second division (*Liga Arizit*) to the National League at the end of this season, in order to increase the number of teams in the first division. Almog's suggestion that the matter be decided by the FA management was carried.

The new league season starts on October 8.



Referee Wally Thurn holds back Spanish boxer Alfredo Evangelista as he steps the action during the 11th round of the European heavyweight title fight in Madrid on Friday night. Defender Lucien Rodriguez falls to the canvas, unaware that the fight is over and that he has lost his crown. (UPI telephoto)

A. Dodgers tighten grip league division title

YORK (AP). — Dusty Baker led a three-run homer and Tomlinson's 18th victory as the Los Angeles Dodgers reduced division-clinching magic to eight with a 5-1 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Friday.

er's 25th homer of the season, d a 1-0 Cincinnati lead in the inning and snapped a five-winning streak by Fred Nor-14-11. It was John's 11th victory last 13 decisions and gave the ers a 18½ game lead over the in the National League West.

combination of Los Angeles and Cincinnati's defeat today ight would give the Dodgers first National League West title 1974.

Philadelphia Phillies ed their grip on first in the al League West with an 11-4 g of the St. Louis Cardinals, as Carlton pitched his 21st vic-10 game, and Steve Carlton with two homers.

"Phillies" in 1975 regular-urgh June 16, second game, the Pirates were beaten 2-1 by Montreal Expos. Andre "Daw-two-run double in the third in-ovided the Expos with their ng runs.

ewhere in the National League, urroughs knocked in four runs a three-run homer and a ace fly to lead the Atlanta as to a 2-6 victory over the San i Padres.

ti-hander Joe Nickro hurled a

Results and standings after Friday's major league games

| NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST | | | | | AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|------|-----|----------------------|----|----|------|-----|
| Team | W | L | PCT. | GB | Team | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Atlanta | 57 | 52 | .521 | — | New York | 57 | 54 | .511 | — |
| Boston | 51 | 61 | .450 | 7 | Boston | 54 | 57 | .486 | 3 |
| Chicago | 50 | 64 | .438 | 11½ | Baltimore | 52 | 58 | .468 | 4½ |
| Cincinnati | 44 | 74 | .375 | 23½ | Detroit | 67 | 25 | .729 | 20½ |
| Cleveland | 54 | 58 | .482 | 20 | Cleveland | 66 | 27 | .709 | 22½ |
| Los Angeles | 54 | 58 | .482 | 20 | Milwaukee | 50 | 55 | .455 | 20 |
| Montreal | 54 | 58 | .482 | 20 | Toronto | 49 | 55 | .469 | 20½ |

| NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST | | | | | AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST | | | | |
|----------------------|----|----|------|-----|----------------------|----|----|------|----|
| Team | W | L | PCT. | GB | Team | W | L | PCT. | GB |
| Los Angeles | 57 | 54 | .511 | — | Kansas City | 50 | 54 | .481 | — |
| San Diego | 54 | 58 | .482 | 13½ | Chicago | 48 | 61 | .438 | 7 |
| San Francisco | 50 | 64 | .438 | 17 | Minnesota | 54 | 54 | .500 | 9 |
| St. Louis | 50 | 71 | .413 | 27 | Texas | 48 | 58 | .448 | 9½ |
| San Francisco | 50 | 71 | .413 | 27 | California | 54 | 54 | .500 | 18 |
| San Francisco | 50 | 71 | .413 | 27 | Oakland | 54 | 54 | .500 | 20 |
| San Francisco | 50 | 71 | .413 | 27 | Seattle | 56 | 57 | .492 | 21 |

Friday's games: Boston 5-4, Detroit 1-4; Baltimore 7, Cleveland 1; New York 2, Toronto 3; Kansas City 5, Minnesota 2; Seattle 3, Texas 2; Milwaukee 3, Oakland 1; Chicago 4, California 1.

Tallest Israel hoopsters out of European games

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Israel basketball squad of 12 players leaves tomorrow for Brussels for the European Basketball Championships, in which Israel is in a group with the USSR, Italy, Bulgaria, France and Austria.

The Israel hoopsters yesterday completed three weeks of preparation for the games with a training match against Hapoel Hapoel.

"In the past week our attack has improved and the percentage of accurate shots at the hoop has been much better," coach Ralph Klein said last night. "Our game will be speed and good shooting," he added.

The Israel squad will be without Jack Elmer and Erik Menken, two of the tallest players in Israel. Elmer is in the U.S. and Menken is injured. Consequently, Israel's main problem will be the lack of players over two metres in height.

Klein considered the team's first game in the championships against Bulgaria on Thursday to be the key to Israel's fortunes. "If we beat them, it will give the players a big boost in confidence. But this will be a very tough game," the coach said.

To hold a chance of qualifying for the play offs for the 5th to 8th places, Israel will have to win at least two of the games in its group. Only the game against Austria looks good for a win, with Israel clear underdogs against the USSR and Italy.

The hoopsters in the Israel team are: Miki Berkowitz, Steve Kaplan, Yehoshua Schwarz, Barry Leibowitz, Shmuel Nahmias, Pinhas Horvitz, Boaz Yanni, Itamar Arizel, Orr Goren, Haim Keren, Avigdor Moskowitz and Reuven Rothshild.

Vilas advances in U.S. Tennis Open

FOREST HILLS, New York (AP). — Fourth-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina advanced to the finals of the \$482,400 U.S. Open Tennis Championships yesterday by outlasting Harold Solomon of Silver Spring, Md., 6-2, 7-6, 6-2 in a battle of heatstroke.

The slow-paced match was delayed in starting by 45 minutes because of early morning rains, but the skies brightened as the day wore on and play was not interrupted.

Vilas will face the winner of yesterday's second semifinal, between second-seeded defending

County cricket tie for title

LONDON (AP). — Gordon Greenidge of Hampshire ruined Gloucestershire's hopes of clinching the county cricket championship for the first time in 100 years at F-istol on Friday.

Its six wicket defeat opened the way for champions Middlesex and Kent to finish top and share the title.

Both finished a 22-match programme on 227 points, five ahead of Gloucestershire. And with both registering nine victories there was no way Lord's could separate them at the final. The title was tied for the first time since 1950 when Lancashire and Surrey were in a similar position.

For all the efforts of Gloucestershire's captain, South African Mike Procter, over the final three days the accolades were finally showered on 26-year-old West Indian Greenidge, who lashed 94 in even time to help Hampshire to its target of 289. He and David Turner put on 123 runs in 65 minutes and it was enough to deny Gloucestershire victory.

Maccabi tennis

TEL AVIV. — Yitzhak Parmet, one of the country's leading tennis coaches, last week took up the post of manager and head professional at the Maccabi North tennis club here.

Parmet's appointment is part of the current expansion programme of Maccabi North, which recently completed four new all-weather courts to bring the club's total number to a dozen.

Manchester City, Liverpool head English soccer league

LONDON (AP). — Manchester City and Liverpool headed the English soccer league with nine points each as the final whistles blew on yesterday's matches.

Liverpool defeated Coventry City 2-0 before a crowd of 45,474 at Liverpool, and Manchester City was 3-1 victor over Manchester United before 50,856 fans at Maine Road.

Liverpool's two goals came in three minutes in the second half, through David Fairclough and Kenny Dalglish.

Manchester City stretched its unbeaten record to five league matches with two goals from Brian Kidd and Mike Channon. Jimmy Nicholl got United's goal two minutes before time. Kidd came within an ace of a "hat trick," but his third "goal" was disallowed because of an infringement by Channon.

Big scorer of the First Division was Everton, which won its away match against Leicester by 6-1. Everton dominated from the start, and the crowd of 15,425 saw it go ahead through Bob Latchford after 13 minutes. Dave Thomas, one of Everton's new signings, got the second and Andy King put Everton still further ahead.

Leicester managed to pull one back half-way through the second half, through Steve Sims, but Everton hit back with a fourth goal from McKenzie and two minutes before time King scored his second.

Birmingham City, under the temporary leadership of Sir Alf Ramsey, got its first win of the season, 2-1 over Middlesbrough. Birmingham scored first with a breakaway goal by Trevor Francis in the first half.

Billy Ashcroft got a second-half equalizer and then Francis scored again for victory.

Newcastle 0, West Bromwich Albion 3. Regis scored in 8 minutes, Cunningham made it 2-0 in 18 minutes and Bryan Robson wrapped it all up in the 78th minute.

Wolves 2, Nottingham Forest 2. Withe scored for Forest in the 18th minute, Bowyer in the 64th and Woodcock in the 72nd. Then, in the 81st, Oell got one for Wolves and Daley put a penalty into the net in the 83rd.

Norwich 1, Bristol City 0. Gibbins got the one goal one minute from the end.

Aston Villa 1, Arsenal 0. Villa struggled before beating better organized Arsenal with a 89th minute goal by Arsenal's former mid-field man Alex Cropley.

Chelsea 1, Derby 1. Gerry Daly put Derby ahead with a penalty after 15 minutes. Tommy Langley ran 40 yards unopposed "to net the equalizer after 88 minutes.

Leeds United 2, Ipswich Town 1. Paul Mariner scored for Ipswich in the 50th minute. Hankin levelled four minutes later with a daring header and he also headed the winning goal.

Results: Division 1
Aston Villa 1, Arsenal 0; Chelsea 1, Derby 1; County 1; Leeds United 2, Ipswich Town 1; Leicester City 1, Everton 6; Liverpool 2, Coventry City 0; Manchester City 3, Manchester United 1; Middlesbrough 1, Birmingham City 2; Newcastle United 0, West Bromwich Albion 3; Norwich City 1, Bristol City 0; Westham United 2, Queens Park Rangers 2; Wolverhampton 2, Nottingham Forest 2.

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Questions in Sinai

THE COORDINATOR OF UN Forces in the Middle East, General Ennio Siliusvuo, returned to Israel from Egypt Friday with an outright denial from Cairo that there have been Egyptian violations of the terms of the Sinai Agreement. It was the fifth time in the past four months that Israel had complained of Egyptian infractions, but the first time Cairo has responded in this manner.

In the past, and especially when Mr. Begin himself called the Egyptians' attention to the violations, they had pledged to make immediate rectifications — though as it now appears they were not carried out.

While the current illicit activities by Egyptian forces in Sinai do not pose a military threat similar to that created by the movement of missiles towards the east bank of the Suez Canal, immediately after the conclusion of the August 1976 cease-fire, they nevertheless place in jeopardy the entire conception of gradual advance towards a peace settlement.

Thus it is not merely that the Sinai agreement itself is being undermined by the Egyptians repeatedly putting too many men, or tanks, or guns, in their zone in Sinai. More important is the constant erosion of Israeli confidence in the willingness — perhaps even the ability — of the Egyptians to abide by their commitments.

Yet such faith is essential to any project for progressive mutual accommodation. The idea is that every successful trade-off will inspire the trust necessary to conclude the next arrangement. This is the underlying assumption even of plans for overall settlement, such as the one suggested by the Brookings team.

Perversely, though maybe unwittingly, the Egyptians are working overtime to demonstrate that they cannot be relied upon to keep their word.

Dayan rebound?

NEW POLITICAL bodies in Israel are never formed in one fell swoop. Our political culture apparently requires an appropriate facade of a non-partisan debating society or ideological forum to smooth the transition of long-time party members from one framework to another.

Yesterday's "forum for social and foreign policy questions," focused around Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, appears to have been in this mould. Mr. Dayan himself was explicit in opposing establishment of a new party or splitting existing ones. But the 1,000 Dayan supporters who crowded into the Maccabiah Village to hear him constituted unmistakable evidence to the contrary.

The "debate" which followed the foreign minister's address should fool no one. The purpose of the forum and the sessions to be held in the future is twofold: to wean away Dayan supporters from Labour and to shape a political party out of these supporters and elements from the Democratic Movement for Change and the La'am faction in the Likud.

For many Israelis, Mr. Dayan's position and popularity were irreparably eroded as a result of the Yom Kippur War and some of his actions since, including his agreement to forego his party and join the Likud Government. But this is not the feeling of all Israelis. Yesterday's meeting was a demonstration of his continuing appeal to former and present members of Labour, especially former Rafites and members of the moshav movement.

In a larger sense it is part of the more general political realignment through which our whole party system is passing.

POSTSCRIPTS

THE NUMBER of ba'alai tshuv (those who "return" to the faith) continues to increase slightly each year, according to Jerusalem educator Mordechai Beck, who has made a study of the subject. In addition, he notes that the number of yeshivot for those people continues to grow. Most were established after the Six Day War, and while largely geared to English-speaking ba'alai tshuv with little or no background in Judaism, the study centres themselves have evolved distinct methodologies and personalities. To help prospective students elect the right yeshiva, therefore, Beck has just published a booklet entitled "Learning to Learn," which is a comparative guide to the new yeshivot. A second booklet deals with musar, the practice of self-examination and self-help which is conducted in many of these yeshivot. Both of these publications, in English, are issued by the Israel Economist Press, and will be available at local book stores soon.

TEDDY KOLLEK's efforts to improve life in Jerusalem can only be commended, but our mayor would do well to take a leaf out of the Tel Aviv municipality's book: the installation of comfort stations for dogs.

Mayor Kollek, who lives in Rehavia, need only look around his immediate neighbourhood to see the need for such a move. This correspondent, who lives in Talbieh, another neighbourhood where dogs are not lacking, has long labelled his area "Kalbieh" — for obvious reasons. Walking on sidewalks, especially at night, is a hazardous undertaking.

We have seen people in the U.S. walking their dogs equipped with a pan which they place under their pets at a critical moment, but this is asking too much from Israelis, of course.

So please, Mr. Mayor, give the comfort stations a thought. S.F.

MAYBE IT'S their reward in the hereafter, but a survey published recently shows that Britain's low-paid clergy are the most satisfied workers in the country.

Even a half-million-dollar win on the soccer pools lottery would not tempt them to quit, said this British consumers' magazine, "Which." Among vicars, pastors, and priests, 86 per cent said they would choose the same work again, even though their average salary is well below the national average at 2,500 pounds (£143,750) a year. No information about rabbis was made available.

THE PRESS CONFERENCE held by Dr. Yosef Burg last Sunday, at which copies of the Buchner Report were distributed, makes an interesting case-study of how good strategy by a politician and poor performance by journalists can combine to leave many aspects of a subject unexplored.

Although the Minister of Interior may not yet have mastered the subject of crime or the intricacies of the police force, he has few peers when it comes to political one-upmanship.

Dr. Burg gained his first advantage on Saturday night. It was then that he decided not simply to release the Buchner Report for publication right after the Cabinet session on the subject on Sunday, but to do so at the end of a press conference.

This put the journalists one down. And a big down it was. For they were now in the position of trying to ask intelligent questions about a report they had not been given an opportunity to read.

(The State Comptroller, it might be noted here, makes his annual report available to the press about a week before the authorized publication date. Of course the Comptroller's report runs to some 900 closely printed pages, as compared with the 150 double-spaced scintillating pages of the Buchner Report, and the Comptroller is protected by a law that prohibits early publication. But journalists should insist that they be given a chance to read a report at least a few hours before a press conference on the subject.)

So instead of being able to ask critical questions based on a knowledge of what the report said or failed to say, Avi Valentim of "Ha'aretz" (whose series of articles led to the appointment of the Buchner Committee in the first place) was reduced to asking, "Did the committee find that criminals had succeeded in neutralizing (by bribery) branches of the Establishment?"

Able to take advantage of Valentim's weakness, Dr. Burg found it easy to get away with an equivocal reply. Had the journalists seen the report, the question would more likely have been, "How do you explain

Crime report: the questions that were not asked

When it comes to probing crime, full with answers, but reporters charges ARYEH RUBINSTEIN, are also apt to be short of the authorities tend to be unhelpful — the right questions.

the failure of the two-page chapter on 'Alliances and Attempted Alliances (of Criminals) with Civil Servants and Employees of State Agencies' to say anything of substance?"

ANOTHER handicap the assembled journalists had to cope with was that Dr. Burg also acted as chairman of the press conference, a function usually performed by the head of the appropriate journalists' committee. This enabled him to decide on procedural matters.

When the minister announced that he would gladly answer questions not only in Hebrew, but also in English and French, it seemed harmless enough. This would make things easier for some of the reporters present, and it also gave the minister a chance to display his mastery of foreign languages, then more power to him.

But the rose was not without thorns. When Valentim, understandably dissatisfied with the answer he had received to his first question, followed it up with another along the same lines, and with a third when answer no. 2 was equally unsatisfactory, Dr. Burg and his spokesman Yitzhak Agassi got impatient and decided that the foreign-language questions would be heard before Valentim could continue.

When that time came around, of course, the meeting started to break up. Valentim did manage to ask whether the police had had success in discovering and prosecuting civil servants who had cooperated with

criminals. But in the hubbub, it was not too difficult for Police Inspector General Haim Tavori to dismiss the query with an airy, "I certainly do not intend to answer general questions of that sort."

Yet if there was anything the Buchner Committee could have been expected to come up with, it was some hard facts on the question of attempts by the underworld to form links with judges, the police, and civil servants in a position to be of assistance, notably those working in the customs and income tax departments.

To say, as Dr. Burg has repeated ad nauseam in the past few weeks, that the question whether or not there is "organized" crime in Israel is merely a semantic one, is meaningless if the discussion stops there and leaves unanswered the substantive question about the extent to which the underworld has succeeded in penetrating the Establishment.

THE CART-BEFORE-THE-HORSE procedure of expecting journalists to discuss a document they had not yet seen made it possible for Dr. Burg to gloss over what must be considered the outstanding failure of the Buchner Report. However, it is a poor workman who blames his tools. Even though they were groping in the dark, the reporters present (the present writer included) should have done a better job.

Why, for instance, didn't a single reporter think of asking what connection there was between the seven

points Dr. Burg announced in his crime-fighting programme and the Buchner Report?

For about a week and a half before publication of the Report, "senior police officers" had been quoted in the press as predicting that the committee would come up with nothing the police did not already know. Former police intelligence chief Shmuel Nahmias had charged that the committee had been set up merely as a sop to public opinion.

Dr. Burg's juxtaposition of the publication of the Report with the announcement of his proposed remedies made it appear that it was a case of cause and effect. This finding of the Report (which was handed to him on August 31) were presumably the basis for the proposals he was making on September 4. That was the implication. Conversely, without this Report there would have been no basis for his proposals.

Was this in fact true? Were the Report's findings about the steep rise in burglaries in the past decade news to the police? Or that it is extremely difficult for the police to protect state witnesses from underworld violence? Or that morale is low among police investigators?

Nobody asked. If not intended merely to placate public opinion, was the appointment of the Buchner Committee perhaps aimed at creating a favourable atmosphere for the increased budget of IL140m. that Dr. Burg is now asking for? After all, every minister com-

plaints that he cannot satisfactorily because of funds. Are all of Dr. Burg's remedies dependent money? And, what about man who are to be transferred to the field? have they been doing up is suddenly no longer nec Nobody asked.

When was Rav-Nitzav pointed Inspector Gen August 30, in response to in "Ha'aretz" calling it dismissal. Dr. Burg issued statement declaring that Tavori had been in his post "year" and could not be the ill of Israeli society faults of the police. At the fence, he repeated that been in his job only months.

Nobody challenged the Tavori assumed (fifteenth December 30, which is ago and not six, and more than the "100 days" that even the Prime Minister requested. And Tavori's statement was approved by even before that — on 1976. That gave him two months before his sweet think about what reform introduce when he took o

THE CHARGE that is made against Tavori is, not that he is to blame, for this or that, but that he himself is incapable of a police force of corruption reforming it that is caping with a sophisticated v

It has been charged to allergic to officers who made their way up the have been parachute positions from other walk who have daring and un ideas about how to mak more effective. It has been that his prejudice is so s have led five senior officer from the force since T pointment. If this is true, be able to do any more i than he has done in eight Nobody asked.

READERS' LETTERS

THE TENANTS' PROTECTION LAW

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — From time to time, complicated but inconclusive arguments are presented in support of and in opposition to the abolition of the Tenants' Protection Law. Even those who support the tenants have been unable to produce valid justification of their stand.

The law was originally an emergency measure to protect the weak against the strong. Today, it no longer fulfills its purpose. It protects the strong against the weak. Protected tenants include merchants, shopkeepers, industrialists and professionals who often occupy alone premises which would be spacious enough to accommodate large families.

Tenants are free to give up their premises whenever they want to and collect two thirds of the key money. Protected tenants include merchants, shopkeepers, industrialists and professionals who often occupy alone premises which would be spacious enough to accommodate large families.

Thus the present law divides citizens according to labels — tenant and landlord — and not according to merit. It discriminates against landlords, making them second-class citizens.

Since this particular law no longer serves the purpose it was drawn up for, it should be repealed.

SHOAH BENIN

Jerusalem.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — My husband and I started our married life together in this country as new immigrants and a young couple at a time when neither of these designations entitled us to any help. Nor did it occur to us for one moment to expect any.

Being unable to buy a flat, we were forced to find one for key money, and the sum we paid was about half the then market value of the flat. We

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The proposal to move (Holocaust Day) should be welcomed by all educators since, at present, this day comes only a week before Memorial Day. The confusion on both of these occasions less their effectiveness due to their similar manner of observance and the closeness of the two dates. Many years ago, the rabbis of Israel decided to make the 10th of Tefet (a traditional day of mourning since the biblical period) the day of Kaddish

for the martyrs of the Holocaust whose death date is unknown. I suggest that this date should be chosen for Holocaust Day.

Since the 10th of Tefet occurs during the winter when school is in session, the occasion can be fully utilized to teach our children the tragedy and message of the Holocaust, as well as to rehabilitate a traditional day of national sorrow now mostly neglected by all but the ultra observant.

JOSHUA ELDER

Jerusalem.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

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SIDEWALKS: NOT SO SIMPLE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — More than 10 years ago, the question of the sidewalks in Tel Aviv was brought up for discussion at the now defunct Citizens' Committee for a Cleaner Tel Aviv. Now the city has finally passed a by-law, but the whole problem is handled in a very amateurish way.

The sidewalks will not look cleaner if they are just swept; there are large stretches of pavement without a single piece of paper, yet the pavement still looks dirty.

The problem is first of all a question of maintenance and then one of proper cleaning. The sidewalks are in a terrible state, with broken stones and broken borders. The Municipality must first repair them. Then they must be cleaned with soap and water.

And why discuss this problem with the Merchants' Association only? What about the banks, cinemas, synagogues, hotels, cafes, kiosks, post offices, hospitals, private homes, etc.?

While we are at it, the Municipality must also see to it that the benches, post-boxes, traffic signs and street signs are cleaned. After that, a repair campaign is urgently needed for the roads, many of which are in a terrible state and constitute a danger to traffic.

But the main problem remains the creation of a spirit of cooperation between the citizen and the Municipality — only then, will we have cleaner cities.

J. ROSS

Ramat Gan

...AND JERUSALEM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was interested to read about Tel Aviv's law that merchants be responsible for cleaning and keeping clean the sidewalks outside their stores.

For many a year now I have advocated that owners of stores and houses here in Jerusalem be required to keep their sidewalks clean. They protested that that was the work of the municipality, with the consequence that the sidewalks are always dirty. The street cleaners do not live and work in the same places all day. The merchants, the owners, the tenants do.

I want to congratulate Tel Aviv on having passed the law and recommend that Jerusalem do likewise.

BERT GOLDSTEIN

Jerusalem

UNITY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I find it most distressing to see the constantly reiterated claim by Conservative and Reform rabbis that they represent the majority of American Jewry. Even more distressing is a reference in your paper of August 19 to them as representing the majority of "observant" Jews "in this free world."

The only logical way to make any assertion of membership is to find out the number of Jews who practise the brand of Judaism to which they are nominally affiliated. Here it may be illuminating to point out that "Conservative Jews are those who belong to Conservative synagogues; they don't believe in Conservative Judaism, nor do they practise it."

This is not a quote from an Orthodox Rabbi, but from the introduction to a symposium on "The Congregational Rabbi and the Conservative Synagogue," to which was devoted almost the entire Winter 1975 issue of "Conservative Judaism."

The only movement which maintains a vibrant, healthy and practising laity consisting of (and this is a low estimate) 100,000 to 200,000 or more adherents is the Orthodox movement.

If we are then to adopt norms based on numbers to determine the "Law of Return" for converts, let us deal with those to whom Judaism is a vital part of their lives. In the U.S. at least, this would include possibly 7,000 clergy of the Conservative and Reform movements, plus a minimal (by their own admission) number of laymen, as opposed to a h committed to the truth. It must be times as large!

As much as the Conservative Reform movements may so, they should recognize are the ones splitting Judaism, led to classes of 3 free world that are a bachelors.

It is time that the deleg come to Israel fr movements stop moult platitudes about "the u Jewish people" (which destroyed). Instead they to do something practices

If the Conservative or F wishes to condone Shabbat, or eating items be questionable if not do hidden, or using an organ ple, or allowing separat he is not affecting the Jewish people and its integrity. The moment be area of interpersonal re — marriage, divorce, co every deviation from Ha less than a gash in the Jewish people.

Therefore my suggestio — for the sake of the Jewish people, if for no o — the Conservative ar group should renounce al in the above areas, and decisions to be made by are Halachists.

Rabbi Dr. SHMUEL HIR Jerusalem.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The details of terror campaign, such as hijackings and wholesale of civilians, Jews and alike, were never in doubt proudly proclaimed perpetrators. These are th should spread over 14 co less of wobbly reputations inflicted upon separatist Maybe this might help over the world to set the values right and to cry mo, victims and less ov assassins.

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